SUICIDE, POLICE THINK, BUT NO MOTIVE IS KNOWN.

Mrs. Reiner Apparently Killed by a Fall From the Roof or the Window of Her Third Floor Flat-Marks May Indicate a Struggle-Her Lodgers Held.

Mrs. Rose Reiner, a little German woman who made her living by taking in washing and by keeping some lodgers in her four room flat at 158 West 100th street, was found dead yesterday morning in the small back yard of the apartment house. The back of her head was completely crushed in, as though from a fail. The police and the Coroner worked on the case all day yesterday, but late last night they were unable to say whether the woman was murdered, committed suicide or was killed through an accident. The police seemed inclined more to the suicide theory than any other, but had little to base it on save vague stories said to have come from neighbors that she had suffered from severe head-

aches of late and seemed depressed. John Bennett, the janitor, first saw Mrs. Reiner's body lying on the rain soake i flagging. It lay face down, with the head just a foot beyond a deep areaway, that was directly beneath the window of Bennett's flat. Bennett ran hatless and collarless to the West 100th street police station, about a dozen doors away, and told what he had seen.

Policeman Coyle hurried to the apartment house with Bennett, and after a hasty examination of the body, which looked as If It had lain all night where it was found, went upstairs to the Reiner flat.

In one of the four rooms he found a man and a woman fully dressed. They said they were Patrick and Emily Carney, man and wife. Carney gave his address as 106 West 103d street, Mrs. Carney said that she was a waitress at 1230 Amsterdam avenue. They said they had roomed with Mrs. Reiner until four weeks ago. Thursday afternoon they returned, and again engaged a room.

They came in from a Christmas-celebration some time after endnight, they said, and, finding their room occupied by an-the man, lay town in Mrs. Reiner's bed to lit for her to return. Both fell asleep at once, they said, and had not wakened ntil the policental roused them. Both denied any knowledge of Mrs. Reiner's death, but the policeman arrested them on suspicion. Taker after they had been on suspicion. Tager after they had break remanded to the Coroner, the latter decided to hold them, but merely as witnesses:

The police also took into custody as a witness Joseph Kloeber, a butcher's helper, and Fred Kemmerling, a wood engraver, both of a partial reals lodgers of the dead secrept the locker was the man whom the Carneys found in their bed. He had come home about 11 a clock on Christmas eve, he said and double on door unlocked. He saw hothing of the German woman, and being tared out with his day's work

immediately ratired.

The Carneys woke him up and demanded his bed, he said, but he slept like a top and beard no sound of any sort.

heard no sound of any sort.

Kemmerling, the other ledger, was locked up when he came to the flat, several hours after: Mrs. Reiner's bedy was found. He held he had been celebrating downtown, but his story was so templing that he was also detained. Coroner Scholer later freed the Carneye and Klocher on \$100 bail each.

Kemmerling was unable to get bail and was sent to the House of Detention. Everything in the dead woman's flat Everything in the dead woman's flat was in apple pie order when the police arrived and there was not the slightest evidence of a struggle. The two rear windows, one of which was almost over the spot where her body was picked up, were closed and this led to the theory that the woman had gone to the roof and thrown herself off.

The fact that Kloeber found the door unlocked strengthened this belief, although the woman's body bore slight injuries for so long a failt. Coroner Scholer was unable to find that any bones were broken ex-cept 'those at the back of the head. The Coroner did find, however, peculiar red marks on the woman's arms and wrists. which he said might have been the result of a struggle. Tenants of the adjoining apartments, however, said, as did the Car-

apsirizents, however, said, as did the Carreys and Kloeber, that they had heard no unusual sounds in Mrs. Reiner's flat.

Mrs. Bennett, the janitor's wife, is the last person who saw Mrs. Reiner alive. She met the little German woman going upstairs to her flar about 5 o'clock on Thurs-

upstairs to her flat about 5 o'clock on Thursday afternood. The jabitor's wife also is the only person the police were able to find who heard the woman's body fall.

Mrs. Bennett was rocking her baby to sleep hear a back window about 7:30 o'clock the same evening when she heard a sound as of sound her by thing falling. At the same instant her chifd cried out sharply and buried its head in her breast, greatly frightened. Mrs. Bennett was at a loss outdestant her chifd's action until Mrs. rightened. Mrs. Bennett was at a loss to understand she child's action until Mrs. Reiner's body was found yesterday. Then she mutthe baby must have seen the shadow off the body flash past the window.

Mrs. Remer had about \$30 tucked in her waist when found, and is said to have had a bank account. The other tenants said they know were wittle of the dead woman

they linew were little of the dead woman or her affairs. None of them knew whether she had any friends and none came to claim her body or to tell of her history. Her husband died some years ago, and she also had a child, but lost it after her husslso had a child, but lost it after her husbands death. For the two years that she had lived in West 100th street almost her sole companion has been a large gray and white cat, which she called her "boy."

She was very fend of this cat, and tenants on the top floor of the adicining house, 100, said that they had often heard her on the roof first evening calling it from the neighboring roofs. They supposed it wery likely she might have gone up there Christmas eve, become confused in the storm and tumbled or been blown over the edge.

Sept. 22 two young men, Martin J. Debar of 43 East Kenney street and Harry Daun of 491 Mulberry street, Newark, who had recoved in Mrs. Reiner's flat for several days, were arrested on her complaint, charged with robbing her of clothing works \$65, Debar admitted being the thief. and was sent to the island for six months.

GOT A CROOK IN WALL STREET.

Warren, Police Think, Is One of a Band of Western Thieves.

A man who said he was B. F. Warren, of 414 Pearl street, was arrested by Policemen Harrigan in Wall street, last night and looked up in the Old Slip station. Warren was in the areaway in front of the ren was in the areaway in front of the failering shop of A. Rosenthal, 71 Wall street when flarrigan saw jim.

The richteman found that Warren had been failed the building, evidently having bicked the lock. Harrigan thought he was trying to get into the diamond store of Samuel Hummond & Co. on the floor above and arrested him.

Warren used & thieves slang that led the police to suppose him of being one of

the police to suspect him of being one of a gang of western crocks, known to have come best recently.

SHOT THE WRONG GIRL.

## Negro Mistook Miss Woerkel for Her Friend and Roonimate.

TRINIDAD, Col., Dec. 25.—George Badger a negro porter, shot and seriously wounded to-day Ray Woerked, a white waitress, and

It is said that Badger was in atuated with Sadie Coffer, a white girl, who roomed with Miss Woerkel, and, after being re-peatedly spurged by her, secreted himself her room for the purpose of killing her. e-mistook Miss Woerkel for his intended victim as the former was entering the room and shot her. It is not believed that the injured woman will sie.

FIVE EXTRA "PARSIFAL" DAYS. Ten in All Now Promised for This Season Opera-Last Feb. 25.

As the result of the immense success o the first performance of "Parsifal" Mr. Conried announced yesterday a second series of five extra performances of Richard Wagner's festival play at the Metropolitan

Opera House. These he says are to be positively the last for this season. The dates are: Sixth performance, Thursday, Jan. 28; seventh performance, Thursday, Feb. 4; eighth performance, Thursday, Feb. 11; ninth performance Tuesday, Feb. 16; tenth performance, Thursday, Feb. 25.

THE PLAYERS YULETIDE.

Christmas Tree on One Stage and Sants Claus on Another.

Theatrical managers could not complain of bad business yesterday. All the theatres gave two performances and had full houses. Stage folks spent a jolly Christmas, and in many of the playhouses the day was celebrated fittingly.

There was a pleasant interpolation in Cowles appears as Tony the Pedler with a pack of toys and trinkets.

After the first verse he slipped on a Santa Claus beard and was busy for five minutes distributing gifts to the chorus girls around him. The audience enjoyed the break in the performance just as much as the participants.
After the matinée of "Capt. Barrington"

After the matinée of "Capt. Barrington" at the Manhattan a big Christmas tree was put on the stage and on it were gifts for members of the company. There was a plum pudding which had been sent to Suzanne Sheldon from England by her brother-in-law, Anthony Hope.

Weber and Fields, the managers of the company, attended the festivities along with many of the members of their music hall company, including Lillian Russell.

The English members of Marie Tempest's company, playing at the Hudson Theatre,

company, playing at the Hudson Theatre, decorated her dressing room with holly to remind her of home.

'Alda" Excellently Performed.

"Aida" was given at the Metropolitan Opera House last night for the fourth time this season. There was an audience of good size, and it was prolific in applause. For this there was abundant reason, because the performance was one of fine spirit. In fact, it is quite safe to say that Verdi's beautiful opera has never been performed in this town with more temperament than it has been this season under that fiery little enthusiast, Arturo Vigna.

His knowledge of the score is complete and his sympathy with Verdi is great. His enthusiasm inspires both singers and orchestra and almost touches the chorus. The principals last night were Mmes. Gadski and Walker, Messrs. Caruso, Scotti, Plancon and Muchimann. The nature of the interpretations offered by these artists is well known. All that need be said at this time is that they were all in good voice dast night and sang with vigor and artistic skill. "Aida" is one of the most successful productions of Mr. Conried's season.

A New Grundy Play.

At the Garrick next Wednesday afterncon Charles Frohman will produce a new play by Sydney Grundy entitled "The Gypsy." It will be acted by Fay Davis and the members of the Empire Theatre

A LITTLE BOY FOR SOMEBODY. That Is, if Anybody Wants Him, Which His Mother Rather Doubts.

A simply but neatly dressed young woman of small stature answered the inquiry of a Sun reporter who inquired last night at the house of Mrs. Rosie Markowitz, 127 East 11cth street, if there was a woman so

"Yes, I'm the woman." Then she bent her head over the child. which was whimpering lightly, and crooned a string of sing-song things to it. When she looked up again her eyes, brimful before, overflowed, but there was no catch in her throat as she added:

"And this is the baby."

"It is so small," remarked the mother,
"but it's a boy and he's going to live.
That's why I want to give him away.

"He is only six weeks old," she went on in the same monotone. "He was born a week before his father went away and left me alone. I call him Abraham because that's his father's name—Abraham Pernico—and he has not been a bad man to me—

mean my husband. "We were living in Brooklyn then and he was working at the docks. One day my man came home and said he had lost his job. Next day he went out to look for work, he said. He didn't come back that night-he has not come back since. I don't know where he is, and I don't think I'll see him again—ever. I think he's tired

There was a pause, during which a woman was heard to moan softly in the adjoining

"It's all right, Rosie," said the young woman. Then to the reporter: "It's Mrs. Markowitz. She's my friend and she is helping me, but I can not stop with her

"I can't put him in a place where they have a lot of other chidren. I want a home for him. If I can get that and see that the woman that takes him is good, then she can have him.

"But I don't think any body wants him even; he's so small."

NEW HOTEL WALLS BLOWN DOWN Flerce Storm in St. Louis Does Much Damage to Property.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 25 .- A terrific storm of wind and hail, followed by snow, broke over the city this afternoon, doing considerable damage. The morning had been clear. At 2:30. o'clock the storm broke, driving pedestrians to shelter.

Parts of the east and north walls of the new \$1,000,000 Buckingham hotel came down with a crash, Fortunately there was no one in or around the building at the time. The loss to the contractors is placed at \$75,000.

placed at \$15,000.

In the northwestern part of the city windows were blown in and nearly every house facing west, from which direction the storm came, suffered. The storm continued practically all the afternoon, but the wind only reached the proportions of a gale for ten continues.

minutes.

An organization calling itself the Buckingham Club leased the hotel for the world's
fair season. Before Miss Helen Gould left
the city for the East, after attending the
meeting of the board of lady managers
of the world's fair, she obtained membership in the club, the first woman to join
the organization, and signified her intention of spending several months here next. tion of spending several months here next summer, during which period she proposed taking apartments at the Buckingham.

## This Cyclone Was a Zephyr.

BOSTON, Mass.; Dec. 25. - Boston Jig Stone of this city boxed a fifteen round bout with Tommy Daily of Brooklyn at the tout with lommy Daily of Brooklyn at the Tammany A. C. this afternoon, the referee calling it a draw. There is great rivalry between the pair and they made it a fast and interesting go. To-night Cyclone Robinson, a big colored boxer from Providence, was scheduled to box fifteen rounds with Dick O'Brien of Lewiston. The affair did not go through the second round, for after the colored man had been floored seven times by left hand wallops the referee stopped the bout.

LAST OF A GOOD FIRE DOG.

DIED ON DUTY. Maybe If the Scrubwoman Hadn't Tried to Hold "Nigger" Back He'd Be Alive Now-Overstrenuous With the Horses in Going to a Fire, and He's Dead.

HE NEVER SHIRKED A CALL, AND

crew of Engine 7, in Beekman street. "Nig-ger," the fire house mascot, is dead. He had been a member of the company for only two years, but there wasn't a better fire dog in the department. Company 7 rose last night as one man to say so. To other folks, including the firemen of other companies, he may have been only a mutt, but they thought a lot of him over at En-

Like many another good fireman, Nigger died on duty, and he left a clear record behind him. He had answered every alarm with Engine 7 since he joined the company; that is, except for about two weeks early last fall, when he was on sick leave. He the comic opera "Babette" at the Broad- got under the hoofs of one of the horses way last night. In the second act Eugene | then, and that left him helpless for a while, but he got over it, and reported back for

He went to his last fire on Christmas eve. Box 67 at Frankfort and Gold streets sounded. Nigger was upstairs in the men's sounded. Nigger was upstairs in the men's dormitory chewing the scrubwoman's mop in a way he had of pretending it was a rival come into histerritory, and bothering her nearly to death. The scrubwoman tried to hold Nigger back by the collar when the enigine left the house, but he didn't intend to shirk, and by pulling and snapping convinced her that she'd better let go or she'd get bitten. She let go and Nigger dashed downstairs and after the engine.

He caught it within a block, and as the horses didn't go fast enough to suit him he barked very close to their heels as a hint of what they might expect if they didn't move

quicker.
Paddy, one of the big horses, resented the hint and kicked at him. The kick knocked Nigger under the rear wheel of the engine, and both wheels of the tender went over him. The firemen couldn't stop then, but as soon as they got the order to go home they rushed back. Nigger was deed. At the engine house last night the men sat in a circle and talked of Nigger, "the

mutt."

"He wasn't much of a dog for looks," said Lieut. Bundrick, "but he was a born fire dog, sure. No, he wasn't of any particular breed. Guess he had bits of all the breeds in him. He first wandered into the house when we were in Chambers street. the house when we were in Chambers street

about two years ago.

He had a piece of glass in his foot, and we laid him on a table and got the glass out, and adopted him.

"Twasn't any time at all before he learned to be a real fire dog. When he heard the gong ring he'd prick up his ears and run to the pole hole. If the man on watch yelled 'we go,' Nigger went downstairs two at a time, stood by the horses until they were hitched and nipped at their legs when they were slow." out, and adopted him.

when they were slow.

"And he used to know the fire patrol when it came past," chimed in Fireman Hubletz. "He'd hear the bell and see it coming up Chambers street and run to meet it. He'd run in front of it till it passed our house and then he'd stop. Seemed to know that if 7 didn't go to the fire he had

no right to.
"He was mighty loyal to 7. He'd go to fires with us and follow our run right into smoke or water, no matter how bad it was, but though he saw lots of other firemen, but though he saw lots of other firemen, he'd never follow any but one of our men.

"He'd go anywhere we would and you couldn't keep him away. Once he stood by while we worked sixteen hours at a fire. At a blaze in Allen street last winter we had to go into a cellar that was three foot deep in water. Nigger swam around.

we had to go into a cellar that was three feet deep in water. Nigger swam around in it while we were there and came out covered with icicles.

"One of the men tied him up in a tailor's shop to the legs of a table but he pulled so hard he broke the table leg and got free. Then they told a man to hold him but he broke away again so we had to smelling his way to the exit that was no and the firemen say he knew the way bet-ter than they did.

The company can't leave the house long enough to give Nigger a funeral, but they

DUTY ON SILK RIBBONS. Secretary Shaw Upholds the Decision of

the General Appraisers. WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 .- Secretary of the Treasury Shaw has rendered his decision in the question of assessing duty on imported silk ribbons. The decision upholds, for the present, that of the Board of General Appraisers, and has the effect of making certain silk ribbons dutiable at 60 per cent. instead of 50 per cent. Mr. Shaw has directed the following letter to the Collector

of Customs at New York: You have doubtless observed that the decision of the Board of General Appraisers, rendered Oct. 27, 1903, is in conflict with the decision in Robinson vs. The United States, decided by the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of New York, Feb.

The importer has appealed from the de-ision of the Board of General Appraisers. The Government should have appealed from the decision of the Circuit Court. The failure was an oversight on the part of the Treasury Department or the Department of Justice. It is immaterial. I am in receipt of an opinion from the Attorney-General, from which I

from the Attorney-General, from which I quote:

"Where there is conflict between an opinion of the Circuit Court on appeal from the Board of General Appraisers and a subsequent one of the board, the Secretary of the Treasury, in deciding which to follow, should give the opinion of the court greater consideration on account of the superior position which it occupies. If the Treasury Department has acquiesced in the doctrines expressed in an opinion of a Circuit Court, holding a certain class of goods should be assessed at a specified rate, and importers have been led to accertain this as the construction of the law which that Department regards as final, and have acted upon it for a considerable space of time. Collectors ought not to be instructed to assess at a different rate unless strong reasons impel thereto."

In view of the foregoing, you are instructed to follow the decision of the board of General Appraisers in the case referred to as to the particular goods before the Board, and you will follow the decision and doctrine of the Circuit Court in the case referred to as to all other silk ribbons until March 1, 1904. From and after March 1, 1904, you will follow the conclusion reached by the Board of General Appraisers as to all silk ribbons, unless, if the meantime, the same shall have been over ruled by the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Funeral of Mrs. Hoar.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.-Funeral services ever the remains of Mrs. Ruth A. Hoar, wife of Senator Hoar, who died last night were held at noon to-day at the Senator's house. The Rev. U. S. G. Pierce of All Souls' Church officiated. The remains will be conveyed to Worcester, Mass., for burial and left Washington this afternoon at 4 o'clock, attended by Senator Hoar. President Roosevelt attended the services. Among the others present were Chief Justice Fuller, Mr. Justice Harlan, Senators Lodge, Hale, Fairbanks and

and several other colleagues of

Resignation of Consul-General Hughes. WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 .- The resignation of Oliver J. D. Hughes, United States Consul General at Coburg, has been received and accepted by the State Department Mr. Hughes will be succeeded by Henry W. Saylor, at present Consul at Dawson City. The resignation of Mr. Hughes was caused by some friction between himself and several other consular officers in Germany. Hughes was appointed from Connecticut as Consul-General at Sonneburg in 1998 and letters are consular officers. ANOTHER TEXAS OIL STRIKE. Report That Ex-Gov. Hogg Has Invested in the Field.

BATSON PRAIRIE, Texas, Dec. 25 .- There s wild excitement here over the bringing in of the greatest oil gusher struck in the Texas oil fields since the original Lucas Gusher. Christmas was little observed by the oil operators and many important land transactions were made to-day The new well was brought in yesterday. It has a daily output of more than 30,000

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 25 .- Ex-Gov. J. S. Hogg, who returned here to-day from the Baston Prairie oil field, confirms the report that he and his associates have acquired 228 acres of land in the heart of the oil field. The price which they paid for the land is said to be \$8,000 an acre, which would make the total investment more than \$1,800,000.

LABOR LEADER ARRESTED.

President of Rochester Clothing Cutters' Union Accused of Grand Larceny. ROCHESTER, Dec. 25 .- Martin W. Champers, president of the Clothing Cutters Union of this city, the members of which have been out on strike for eleven weeks. was arrested to-day on the charge of grand larceny. He is charged by his landlady with stealing her diamond ring, valued at \$80. He denied having the ring at first, but at the police station it was found on him. His landlady, Mrs. Mary Sullivan, also says that he owes her \$11 for room rent.

The arrest of Chambers has caused great consternation in the ranks of the strikers, for he is the leading spirit of the organization and has been for a number f years one of the union leaders in the city. A number of the strikers got to-gether this evening and put up his bail, which was fixed at \$500.

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Chambers has held the strikers together for weeks with remarkable ability, and has been respected by all labor union men as clean and honest. His landlady says that he has posed for nearly three years as unmarried and has won the affection of a number of young women. He is a married man, she says, and has a wife, Susan Garnen Chambers, who is now a saleswoman in a dry goods store in Pueblo, Col., but in a dry goods store in Pueblo, Col., but that he has not lived with her for eight or nine years. She says that he married her in Boston, but lived with her for a short Chambers came from Boston to this

city about three years ago, and has always boarded with Mrs. Sullivan. He has been wearing her ring for a year or so, she says, and has always refused to give it up, first on one pretext and then on another. This morning he packed his clothes to leave her house. It was on this account that her house. It was on this account that she had him arrested. She says that he has tried to commit suicide on three different occasions.

W. B. SMITH HEARD FROM. Relatives Did Not Worry, Though Some

Friend Appears to Have Done So. ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 25 .- It was Frank Marsh of Newmarket, N. J., who called at the morgue here yesterday to view the remains of a man killed by falling from a Pennsylvania passenger train between Elizabeth and Rahway last Tuesday, and who said he was searching for William B. Smith, a brother of the late Mrs. Charles L. Fair, who was killed in an automobile accident in Paris about a year ago. Some friend of William B. Smith sent Marsh

friend of William B. Smith sent Marsh here. The friend was worried because the printed description of the body at the morgue made it resemble Smith, who left home on Monday.

Meanwhile, although Smith had not been heard from, his relatives in Newmarket did not worry about him. He told some of his intimates in Newmarket last week that he intended to go to Boulder, Col., to see his brother about an offer of settlement that had been made to him on behalf of the Oelrich heirs to the Fair estate. He did not tell that story to his family, but did not tell that story to his family, but merely said he was going to visit his brother. To-night it was learned that Smith had

NEGRO KILLS HIS MISTRESS.

Henderson Who'd Been Drinking Insisted on a Turkey Binner.

Preston Henderson, a negro iaborer of 2076 Amsterdam avenue, shot and killed Mrs. Lizzie Morrow, his former mistress, yesterday because she refused to provide him with a turkey dinner.

The shooting occurred in the shanty at 2098 Amsterdam avenue where Mrs. Morrow lived with her daughter. Three of four shots fired by Henderson took effect and the woman died shortly after at the J. Hood Wright hospital. Henderson had been drinking for a week

past and was in an ugly mood yesterday when he entered the Morrow woman's apartments.

Preparations were then being made he said, and when Mrs. Morrow told him she could not afford that, he drew a big revolver and shot her.

Policemen McVey, Stebbins and Maloney of the West 182d street station, attended by the noise ran up as Henderson. tracted by the noise, ran up as Henderson rushed out of the house and overpowered

SUICIDE AT CHRISTMAS PARTY. Mrs. Woolley Drinks a Glass of Beer With

nim after a short chase.

Strychnine in It. Mrs. Emma Woolley committed suicide vesterday at her residence, 116 East 126th street, by taking a dose of strychnine in a glass of beer

The woman, her husband and some friends were celebrating Christmas and in the middle of their merrymaking Mrs. Woolley suddenly jumped up with a glass

of beer and said:
"I might as well end it all. So here goes!"
Then she drained the glass. The others
in the room were too dazed at first to make a move, but when a physician was called the woman was dead. Her husband said he did not know of any reason for his Hanged Himself Before Christmas Dinner.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Dec. 25 .- David Mohr,

Shimmersville farmer, left a merry party of Christmas guests just before dinner to-day and hanged himself in his barn, where he was found when he failed to respond to the dinner call. He had been in feeble health, but was one of the jolliest nembers of the party. New Chief Inspector of the New York

Postal Division.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25. Walter S. Mayer, one of the inspectors under Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristow and who was in charge of important matters during the recent investigation of postal service scandals, has been made chief inspector of the New York postal division. Mr. Mayer's promotion is due entirely to his excellent work during the scandal inquiry. He succeeds Inspector Thorpe, who has been appointed superintendent of rural free delivery of the Post Office Department in place of H. C. Clark, made superintendent of the Atlantic division of rural free de-

Terpede Boat Destroyer Lawrence Crippled in a Storm.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 .- The torpedo poat destroyer Lawrence, according to an official telegram received at the Navy Department to-day, was crippled in the storm off Hatteras while on her way to Key West, and will have to be laid up there

KENNEDYS STORE 12 CORTLANDT ST. Underwear Prices Cut.



Imported Wool Gloves ..... 49c & 98c 6.00 Shoes (with trees) 3.49 New swing lasts, High Heels, Button and Lace, Another Bargain. 4.98 & 5.98 Shoes Reduced to 2.59 10.00 Custom Shoes, 5.98 Hockey Shoes (black and russet), 3.75



Silk Hats, 3.90, 4.80, 5.80. 8.00 French Opera Hats, 4.80.

LINER'S FIVE DAYS IN A GALE. MENOMINEE SMASHED SO THAT

REPAIRS WILL BE COSTLY.

Glant Wave That Smashed Her Rudder Post Broke in Ports and Drenched Passengers in Their Berths and Threw Her on Her Beam Ends-Sallor Killed

The White Star steamer Cedric, which arrived vesterday morning from Liverpool after a rough passage all the way, brought thirteen of the seventeen passengers who originally started on the Atlantic Transport liner Menominee. The Menominee got the worst of it in a hurricane on Dec. 7 and, after drifting helplessly for five days, most of which time she was rolling in the trough pounded by heavy seas, managed to crawl back to Falmouth, where she landed her passengers.

The cabled reports of the accident to the Menominee said simply that she was helpless for five days because of a broken rudder post. The belated passengers who came in with the Cedric, docked yesterday, said that they had had a good deal more exciting and dangerous time than the despatches indicated. The thirteen-unlucky number sure

from the Menominee were Selwin Baywater of this city; Rohan Clensy, the Irish violinist; William M. Lathrop, editor of the Waterbury Republican; Henry Linder man of this city; Ada and Jessie McLeod and Helen Marr of London; Edith M. Norton of Scranton, Pa.; Edward R. Pikeof London; Mrs. and Miss Sproule of London; Dr. Louisa Stevenson of Westchester, Pa., and Dr. Beatrice Stevenson of Traverse City, Mich. They all joined in telling reporters about the troubles the Menom-

She left London on Dec. 3, and four days later ran into a gale after bucking high winds and waves from the moment the open sea was reached. At a little before 7 on the morning of Dec. 7 the gale became a A wave which the ship's officers said was sixty feet high struck the ship on her starboard side and threw her on her beam ends. The steamer heeled over until the passengers thought she would turn turtle. Deadlights and cabin ports were smashed on the starboard side and the passengers were thrown from their berths. They found themselves in darkness with water pouring in through the broken ports and everything moveable tearing around in dangerous fashion.

The ship failed to right herself and the ne ship laned to right herein and the passengers were thrown in a panic by the thought that she was sinking. Many of them, in their night clothes, groped their way through the dimly lighted passageways, some on hands and knees, because the vessel rolled so violently that they were unable to stand

unable to stand. The officers quieted them, and in about ten minutes the ship again floated on an even keel. Then it was found that the rudder post had been broken off as though it had been a stick, leaving the ship helpless in the trough of the big seas. The wave broke over the bridge and nearly washed the officers on duty there into the sea. The sailor on watch at the bow was hurled against the bulwarks and hardly a bone in his body remained unbroken. He was buried at sea the same

All day the Menominee rolled. Three All day the Menominee rolled. Three sailors who were trying to repair the broken stern post were injured. 
It was necessary to batten down the hatches and keep the passengers below. 
Oil was poured over the bow to break the waves, but the ship seemed to pitch as bredly a over badiv as ever.

badly as ever.

This went on for five days.. During that time the officers remained on duty practically without sleep. On the fifth day the steering gear was temporarily patched up and the Menominee crawled back to Falmouth. The passengers whom the Cedric brought in yesterday said the officers estimated that it would take \$30,000 to put the vessel in shape again.

The McLeod staters are here to give "society entertainments." they say. Mr.

"society entertainments," they say. Mr. Clensy was booked for eight concerts, but the dates for six of them have already passed. He will fill the two remaining engagements, he said, and then return to Ireland, coming back here in the spring for a more extensive tour. The Cedric brought 2,277 sacks of mail

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Joshua Levering of Baltimore, who was the Prohibition candidate for President in 1900, was also a passenger on the Cedric, with his wife and daughter. They have just completed a trip around the world. Mr. Levering said he hadn't made up his mind yet about being a candidate for the Prohibition forlorn hope next year.

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